What is the IE Black Equity Fund?
The IE Black Equity Fund was established by the Black Equity Initiative of the Inland Empire (BEI), in partnership with IE Funders Alliance and IECF. One of the first of its kind, the regional, pooled fund invests in Black-led organizations in the Inland Empire through core support, program and project support, and capacity building. The Fund also uses a “trust-based” model of philanthropy that centers Black Equity Initiative members as decision-makers in the distribution of resources – giving significant power to Black leaders to uplift their communities.

What are the benefits of the IE Black Equity Fund?
• Support Black led and serving nonprofit organizations doing impactful work throughout the Inland Empire
• Learn about and invest in programs that advance racial equity and anti-Black racism in the IE
• Combine your gift with others to enhance impact
• Network with others who are philanthropically minded and living their passion

With your help, you are providing vital support to community-based organizations that are working to improve social and economic conditions in the Black community and join with other donors and funders who are committed to advancing racial equity in the IE.

Inland communities are already dealing with decades of disinvestment. This is particularly true of organizations led by people of color, who have not benefited from public and private financing to the same extent as their white-led counterparts.

~ Stanford Social Innovation Review
“Black Americans face unique challenges in our society, many of which philanthropic organizations are equipped to address.”

**KATHY JOHNSON**
IE Black Equity Fund, Co-Chair
IECF Board, CFO
Vice President
J.S. Held

"Racial equity benefits everyone. The existing disparities that are failing the Black community are actually failing all of us."

**DAVID BRISTOW**
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General Counsel, Executive VP
Entrepreneurial Corporate Group

A contribution to the IE Black Equity Fund is a commitment an equitable region for all and entrusts our Fund Committee and the Board of Directors to direct these dollars to organizations serving the African American community.

Donations to the IE Black Equity Fund can be made online at: https://www.iegives.org/BlackEquityFund
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